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## CHANGE OF STATUS TO LARGE ENTITY and REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request an extension of time of two (2) months within which to respond to the Official Action of November 29, 2001, to permit a timely response on or before April 29, 2002.

Applicants respectfully submit that **Small Entity** status had been previously established, but is no longer appropriate. Accordingly, the **Large Entity** fee of \$400.00 is enclosed by check.

In the event that the Commissioner determines that an additional fee is required in for consideration of Applicants' response, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0548 referencing docket number 3504.183.

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